

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on December 22, 2006.

Claims 1, 8, and 15 are amended; as a result, claims 1-20 are now pending in this application.

Previous Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Statement

The Examiner acknowledged each of the references previously submitted with the IDS filed on August 23, 2005. However, Applicant had failed to include a single page reference entitled "DRM Examples;" that reference is being concurrently attached herewith for the Examiner's consideration. Applicant respectfully request that this reference now be acknowledged in any subsequent action.

§101 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 8-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Examiner requested that claim 8 be amended to include the limitation of "stored/embodied on a computer." Applicant has made these amendments above in the exact manner requested by the Examiner. Accordingly, this rejection is no longer appropriate and should be withdrawn.

§102 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) for anticipation by as being anticipated by Ram et al. (U.S. 6,519,700). It is of course fundamental that in order to sustain an anticipation rejection that each and every step or element in the rejected claims must be taught or suggested in the cited reference.

More specifically, a claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently in a single reference. *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631,2 USPQ 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987). Additionally, "[t]he identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as contained in the . . . claim."

Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co., 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989). The elements must be arranged as required by the claims.

Applicants would like to respectfully reiterate that anticipation is only proper if “[t]he identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as contained in the . . . claim.”

Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co., 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989).

Ram is directed to self-protecting documents (SPD). The rights are predefined for a document in the creation of a SPD. See FIGS. 5 and 6 and related discussion in Ram. Thus, authorization exists when a document is in possession of user that has rights defined in the SPD. Stated another way, Ram does not require external interfacing with an external authentication service. The authentication service if it exist at all is local to the user that has the SPD, in fact, authentication is included in the SPD. There is no network communication to perform authentication.

Second, Ram lacks any teaching or suggestion of a teaching for a “media player” that is included within a “media stream” and that is “streamed” over a network to a recipient. There is no suggestion at all in Ram of a document being streamed to recipient. It only mentions sending an SPD conventionally over a network to a user or installing the SPD on removable medium that is distributed manually to users. Ram does not teach streaming at all and does not even suggest it.

Thirdly, Ram does not automatically “play” a media stream when a recipient is authenticated. In fact, Ram specifically counsels against doing this. The technique taught in Ram is to authenticate a user for an SPD’s content and then unconventionally render it to an encrypted format where it is then subsequently presented to the user. If “playing” occurs at all it is when the content is presented to a user and that is intentionally delayed for some non trivial amount of time after the authentication occurs within Ram. See Ram, col. 12 lines 41 through the entirety of col. 13. Specifically, the content is rendered before it is decrypted and it is encrypted when authentication is verified. Also see FIGS. 5-7 of Ram. Thus, Ram does not “automatically play a media stream” once authentication is achieved.

Fourthly, and perhaps most significantly the SPD is not self-loading, self-installing, and self-executing. The Examiner’s attention is directed to the entirety of column 12 in Ram. The SPD is “stored at the user’s system . . .” It is only executed when the user attempts to access it.

It is clear that the SPD includes self-contained access rights before a user ever is in possession of it, the SPD is also not streamed to a recipient, the SPD does not communicate

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externally over a network to achieve authentication of the recipient, the SPD does not automatically play a media stream upon successful authentication, and the SPD is not self-loading, self-initiating, and self-executing (the SPD is stored and executed when a user activates).

Thus, the Ram teaching does not show the identical invention required for anticipation and in many ways teaches completely away from what Applicant has claimed. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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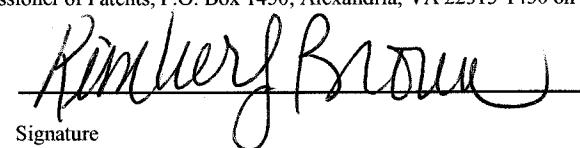
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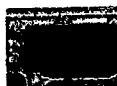


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